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Peony Catalog

THE BONNEWITZ GARDENS

Large
Five-Eye Divisions

also
One and Two-Eye
Divisions



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Owner

THE BONNEWITZ GARDENS

Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn Farm
VAN WERT, OHIO

--- The --- Bonnewitz Gardens

TERMS OF SALE—REMITTANCES:

Remittances should accompany all orders and may be made by Post Office Money Order, Bank Draft or by check. Do not send stamps.

SIZE OF ROOTS (See page 3).

GUARANTEE:

All varieties are guaranteed true to name. Should any varieties prove untrue to name, I will replace them with true stock.

BANK REFERENCES:

Peoples Savings Bank, Van Wert, Ohio.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Cultural directions will be mailed with the acknowledgment of the order. Another copy will be included in the package with the roots.

TIME OF SHIPMENTS:

I begin shipping my peony orders the first week in September. Customers may ask for shipment any week before November 15th.

POSTAGE AND PACKING CHARGES:

In my September, 1939 leaflet I told my customers that postage charges would be made on all of the small roots which they purchased from me and in every package which left my garden after that circular was sent out, I placed one or more gratis roots. Apparently these gratis roots are so welcome that my customers do not object to the paying of the postal charges.

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These charges may appear too large in the first, second, and possibly third zones, but customers living farther away will probably notice that on some packages the charges were higher than the amounts noted here. We will place an additional division or two in each package to equalize postage and packing charges.

NO SUBSTITUTIONS:

Of some varieties, I have a limited number of roots. If I cannot supply any variety you order, I will return your money for that variety. I never make substitutions on any customer's order unless the customer asks that this be done.

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Size of Roots

I am very proud of my 5 eye divisions, and I would of course rather sell large roots than smaller ones. Larger roots carry more moisture and they should, and they usually do make better plants the first year.

For all peony lovers who do not need to economize, I unhesitatingly recommend the Bonnewitz 5 eye divisions.

However, I get a thrill in selling small divisions of the best peonies to persons who cannot afford to buy large divisions. When they write me letters tellings me of the success they have made with the carefully watered small divisions, I get another thrill, for they nearly always give me a very generous, "thank you."

Where a 3 to 5 eye division is mentioned it means that I am temporarily procuring that particular variety from another grower and that I can only send to you the size root he furnishes me.

Single Varieties

Scientists tell us that the first peony in this world was a single or simple one with only one row of petals and of only one color, white. These same scientists tell us that all of the beautiful single varieties, pink, white, and red; all of the Japanese varieties with one, two or more rows of white, pink, and red petals with their golden decorated central staminodes and petaloids; and also all the massive white, pink, and red double peonies in the world have decended from that very modest, medium size, white, single peony of centuries and possibly millenniums ago. Single varieties came first in history and so I place them first in this catalogue.

ARCTURUS (Auten)

This is a brand new peony and I am glad to list it. It is a medium tall, large, very dark cardinal, single peony and it impressed me as infinitely better than any other dark red one in my garden.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....	\$5.00		

DOROTHY ALLISON (Shaylor)

A pink single variety which is not found in very many catalogues. I have only a small stock of it. It is not as good as Helen.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

FLANDERS FIELDS (Brand)

This variety is a brighter red, single peony, than Arcturus, but it is not as large. It has two rows of petals which have good substance. These give it individuality, which adds to our interest in it.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.50		

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HELEN (Thurlow)—9.0

This is probably the very best pink single peony in the world and in order that both its beauty and quality be perfectly appreciated it should be grown on clay soil. However, it is as large and often larger when grown on loam or sandy soil, but it lacks the extra high quality which is shown by the thickness of the petals when grown on clay. I recommend it without reservation, for both clay and loam soils.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	3.00		

IMPERIAL RED (Sass)

This variety was first introduced under the name Imperial Pink, but as it is not a true pink, the originator, Mr. Hans Sass, has allowed its name to be changed to Imperial Red. It has, I believe, the strongest stems of any single peony and I believe that its blooms are also of larger size. It is a perfect landscape variety.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	1.50		

JEWEL (Glasscock)

This is a large single red variety with tall stiff stems. It won a first class certificate at the Fort Wayne National Show. It is a hybrid variety having both *Officinalis* (European) and *Chinensis* (Chinese) parentage. It blooms earlier than the *Chinensis* varieties.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....	\$1.50
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LEGIONAIRE (Glasscock)

This is the first successful hybrid peony grown by Mr. Glasscock and it is a single variety having a rich red color. It is of medium size and a strong grower.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....	\$1.50
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L'ETINCELANTE (Dessert)—8.4

This large, bright pink, cup shaped, single peony was introduced more than thirty years ago, but on account of its landscape quality it has maintained its place in growers' catalogues.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.25		

LE JOUR (Shaylor)

I have been growing this variety since 1914 and it is the largest white single variety with good quality petals I have ever seen. I recommend it.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

MAFEKING (Kelway)

An early blooming single red peony. It is not as good as Imperial Red.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.25		

MINNIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

You will find this variety listed with my double peonies but to me it seems very ill at home among them. It has, I believe, usually three and sometimes

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four rows of petals, but its light breezy effect fits it perfectly among the single varieties. In selecting singles for your garden I would like you to consider this variety and Silvia Saunders as perfected single varieties. The petals open a beautiful pink in dark cloudy weather which, however, changes to white even if the weather does remain cloudy. I hope that thousands of men and women get the same kind of joy which I do out of these beautiful peonies which are not too heavily loaded with petals.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			1.50

PRIDE OF LANGPORT (Kelway)—8.9

This variety is, I believe, the best and sturdiest of the Kelway single pink peonies for use upon the landscape and for interior decoration. The shade of pink is attractive, the stems are strong enough and it is a vigorous grower.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

PRESIDENT LINCOLN (Brand)

This is a very interesting new red peony with a name which pleases everybody. The flowers are large with two rows of good quality petals and the stems are strong. It was a Court of Honor variety at the Rochester show in 1940.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
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We hope to have larger divisions next year.

SHIRLEY WALKER (Shaylor)

This very large, early blooming, white, single peony will run Le Jour a hard race as the best white single variety. I am glad to have it and I believe my customers will welcome it.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

SWAN WHITE (Good & Welch)

This new white single peony is of large size and instead of only one row of petals it has developed a second row. I believe that it is of superior quality to many of the older varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

SILVIA SAUNDERS (Saunders)

Silvia Saunders is a true semi-double variety and you will find it listed as such in this catalog. However, it gives me the same delight which I find in viewing the single blooms. It seems like a glorified single with its beautiful shell-pink petals arranged in a cup shape like a mammoth wild rose. I recommend it most highly.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$3.00

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In the history of the peony, since the creation of the first single or simple one, the appearance of the Japanese type shows the arrival at the half way period between that first small insignificant specimen and the modern Dorothy J. or A. B. Franklin of the 1940 Peony Show. The very small stamens of the single peony have grown in size and beauty until they have become the stately gold trimmed staminodes which give such regal appearance to Yellow King, Ama-No-Sode, Isani Gidui, and Tamate-Boku. At this half way position in my catalogue I place the list of Japanese varieties which first appeared at the half way period of the transformation of single peonies into the majestic double ones.

AMA-NO-SODE (Japan)—9.2

One of the best pink Japanese varieties I have ever seen. Good on the landscape, in the show room and for interior decoration. On account of its beautiful and very abundant foliage I like to suggest a mass planting of this variety. After the blooming season a single row of plants form the most beautiful hedge of any variety in my garden.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

FUGI ZOMA GORONO (Japan)

A light pink variety of high quality which is growing in favor. I recommend its beauty and quality.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

FUYAJO (Japan)—9.2

A few years ago this was considered the best red Japanese peony. However, it does not grow tall and the flowers are not held stiff enough on the stems for landscape use, but its strong color draws the visitor's attention.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.25

GODDESS (Kelway)

This is probably the fourth or fifth best Japanese variety in my collection. The flowers are large, of splendid lilac-pink color and its strong tall stems and its reliability lead me to believe it has a long future to spend in American gardens.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

GOOD'S GEM (Good & Reese)

Good & Reese have placed two white Japs on the market. The other is Mrs. Ward Welch. Both of them are this year sold at a popular price and we will soon see them competing with Isani-Gidui.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

HENRI POTIN (Doriat)—9.0

A pink landscape variety of great merit for informal gardens. It has a long blooming season. I am glad

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to recommend it. I have given this variety careful study for 7 years, and every year increases my interest in it. It should be allowed to grow in one location for at least 10 years, and it will furnish the effect of a planting of our American wild rose. Ask for our 1939 catalog, which gives a very extended description of it.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

ISANI GIDUI (Japan)—9.3

This yellow and white Japanese peony is in my opinion the best in its class. Notice the quantity and the quality of the yellow in this most beautiful white and yellow peony. Notice also the size and quality of the white guard petals. It is a very reliable variety and can be depended upon to produce every year, blooms of prize winning quality. I began growing it 25 years ago, and it is a pleasure to advise anyone to purchase it, for I am sure the purchaser will not be disappointed.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.25
5 eye division.....	\$2.50

KING OF ENGLAND (Kelway)—8.6

This splendid red Japanese variety is very striking in mass planting and in the 1940 cloudy season its beauty was accentuated. It deserves high recommendation.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.25

KUKENI-JISHI (Japan)—9.5

The color of this peony is a very beautiful light pink, the quality of the bloom is excellent but unfortunately, it does not retain the color as well as Tamate-Boku and Ama-No-Sode. It apparently does not multiply rapidly, but please notice it has a very high rating and notice also a much lowered price.

1 eye division.....\$2.00	2 eye division.....\$3.00
5 eye division.....	\$4.00

MARGARET ATWOOD (Japan)—8.7

This beautiful white Japanese peony is not so tall as Isani Gidui but it closely approaches it in quality.

1 eye division.....\$1.00	2 eye division.....\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00

MIKADO (Imported by Peterson)—8.6

This is the oldest Japanese peony in America. I saw it at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893, forty-seven years ago. It is red, but the color is not so distinctive as in King of England. It is the Japanese peony known to more Americans than any other variety.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$.75
5 eye division.....	\$1.00

MRS. WARD WELCH (Good & Reese)

This new variety gave me a very favorable surprise in its blooming season. Its large white flowers with yellow staminodes were very, very beautiful and I believe the plants carried more open flowers at one time than any other variety in the garden. I do not hesitate to recommend it as a most desirable variety,

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but I have not yet stated that it is superior to Isani Gidui.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

NIPPON BEAUTY (Auten)

A deep rich red Japanese variety with some yellow on the edges of its central petaloids. It is a new variety in my garden and pleases me very much. Very few for sale.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

NIPPON BRILLIANT (Auten)

Each year I grow more enthusiastic over the beauty of this Japanese peony. There is more yellow in the red color of its petals than there is in the red petals of any other peony I have ever seen. I hope the originator, Mr. Auten, will be able to secure this same shade of red in a double peony with as good quality as Philippe Rivoire. I am very much delighted with this Japanese variety on account of its very peculiar, but attractive color. I am sure the demand for it will increase. Very few for sale.

1 eye division.....	\$3.50	2 eye division.....	\$5.00
5 eye division.....			\$7.50

NIPPON GOLD (Auten)

This pink Japanese peony is a splendid landscape variety, but it is not quite so tall as Tamate-Boku. The blooms, when opened indoors, show splendid yellow central petaloids. I am very much attracted by this variety and I am sure its sales will increase.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
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No large divisions for sale.

NIPPON PARADE (Auten)

A deep rich red color with a bright and cheerful effect. All four of these Nippon varieties are improvements over former good selling varieties. When this variety opens in dark cloudy weather its beauty exceeds that of Prairie Afire, and I suggest that some of us next year place very heavy thick paper bags over the buds of this variety and bring them indoors to show their beauty. This season they were more beautiful than Nippon Brilliant, but this would not have been true if they had been opened in bright sunshine. It is a much more valuable variety than I thought last year.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

PRAIRIE AFIRE (Brand)

This Japanese variety was the sensation of the Second National Peony Show held in Des Moines. I was there, and will always remember the occasion. But I have never grown as fine flowers of it as I saw there. Next year, at Mr. Brand's suggestion, I will allow the blooms to open indoors. I am sure you will be glad to try your skill growing it with one of my small divisions.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$3.00

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SHAYLOR'S SUNBURST (Shaylor)

A white Japanese with yellow staminodes which are being transformed into very narrow petals. It is a vigorous variety which I wish to see planted near Isani Gidui. It may have a great future.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

SOME-GANOKO (Japan)—9.0

This is another very outstanding red Japanese variety with larger petals than those on many other varieties. Visitors always give a second look at the flowers on this variety because of their size.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

SOSHI (Millet)—9.0

This Japanese variety has especially fine, heavy, deep green foliage in addition to the red blooms which it carries. Nearly all other varieties of peonies carry their blooms well above the foliage, but in this variety, when well grown, the flowers seem to nestle in the foliage.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

TAMATE-BOKU (Japan)—9.4

This large and beautiful pink and yellow variety was far, far the best Japanese variety exhibited in the Rochester National Peony Show last year and it was the only Japanese variety placed in the Court of Honor. Its history is the most remarkable of any peony in all our American peony catalogues. I was, I believe, the very first importer of this variety from France in 1916 at a price of only \$2.00. And now, after twenty-four years in commerce, it is not only the best Japanese variety but its increase in popularity, demand, and price is almost like a fairy story. I am sure that every peony enthusiast will look forward to the time when he will have a Tamate-Boku growing in the Court of Honor in his own garden.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
5 eye division.....			6.00

YELLOW KING (Japan)

While this splendid variety has pink guards, yet it has the best yellow central petals of any variety and the yellow takes prominence over the pink. The growing buds should be covered with thick paper bags until they begin to expand rapidly, at which time the buds should be taken indoors and the bags removed. A display of fifty or a hundred of these yellow blooms brings exclamations of surprise from all beholders. This is one variety which should be grown in quantity and all the flowers should be taken indoors for all their yellow beauty is lost in the open garden.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			3.50

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Double Varieties

The majority of the space in that great 1940 Peony Show was filled with tables on which were displayed more magnificent double peonies than anyone ever saw in any one place and at one time in the history of the peony. I hope and believe that I have here the greatest list of the best peonies that has ever been published and so I am giving the greatest space in this catalogue to a description of those double varieties, many of which appeared in all their beauty and glory at that National Show so recently held in Rochester, Minnesota.

A. B. FRANKLIN (Franklin)

Mr. Franklin is more fortunate than several other peony growers who have given their names to peonies of their own origination. This one is a large, white variety, full double, opening a beautiful blush-pink and eventually changing to pure white. It was selected at the Rochester National Peony Show as the most distinguished exhibit for which it won the Boyd Memorial Prize and was, I believe, the very first of the eight varieties placed in the Court of Honor, a distinction which came to only seven other varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
5 eye division.....	\$6.00		

ADOLPHE ROUSSEAU (Dessert & Mechin, 1890) 8.5.

Very dark red and of very good quality. An old, but very valuable peony with stiff stems for the landscape.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

A. G. PERRY (Brand)

I am sorry that my stock of this variety is too small to offer this year. But I am glad to tell my friends that I was elated with the blooms on my 2-year-old plants of it. I hope to offer it next year.

ADONIS (Sass)

This double peony has the very delicate shades of pink and yellow which we find in the variety Mrs. J. H. Neeley, Hans. P. Sass and other very much sought after peonies. My observation has been that the colors hold better in Adonis than in Miss Salway which for years was the best example of this particular coloring.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$3.00		

ALICE HARDING (Lemoine)—9.5

The very first plant of this variety came into bloom the morning on which the first American soldiers marched through Mr. Lemoine's home city, Nancy, France. He gave it the name Amitie Americaine (love for America), which was later changed. An extremely large cream white full double rose shape variety with very strong stems. The only variety which ever sold at \$200.00 per root. Excellent for cut flowers and for landscape. It has my highest recommendation.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	3.50		

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ALLURE (Neeley)

The blooms of this peony are white with a yellow sheen at their centers and loosely built so that they are well carried on the stems for landscape use. It is not the best of the Neeley varieties but it should be in a representative collection of his introductions.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

ANNA SASS (Sass)

Late midseason. Very beautiful delicate light pink with an orchid overtone. Profuse bloomer on tall strong stems. It is an excellent garden and landscape variety.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

APOLLO

This double, pink variety which fades to white, has splendid stems but it has grown only two seasons in my garden and I will probably be better able to give my opinion on its value next season.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

ANNE NIELSON (Good & Reese)

A double peony of a beautiful light shade of pink. It grows erect and blooms in early midseason and has stems sufficiently strong to hold up its large flowers. Next to Judge Snook it is the best seller of the Good and Resse varieties in my garden.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$3.00		

AUGUSTE DESSERT (Dessert)—8.7

I saw this variety the first time I visited Mr. Dessert in his own garden in France. It has splendid stems and loose flowers of shades of red, rose, and pink. It is a perfect landscape variety not only on account of its stems and color but also because the loose petals allow rain drops to pass between them to the ground. Mr. Dessert told me that even though his Therese had a higher rating, yet he admired this variety more than any other.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

BLANCHE KING (Brand)

A rich pink, full double peony which holds its color in all kinds of weather. Blooms late in the season. At the National Peony Show in Syracuse this season a bloom of it was selected as the best flower and placed in the Court of Honor.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
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No large divisions this season.

CAPTAIN KIDD (Auten)

Dark red semi-double, rich with purple. Large blooms on tall stems. Color holds except in extreme heat. This variety is apparently growing in popularity.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.75
5 eye division.....	\$2.50		

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CHERRY HILL (Thurlow)—8.6

This is an early blooming, red, double peony whose petals are built loosely together and which is consequently able to stand rather severe rain storms. Some years it blooms earlier even than Richard Carvel and it consequently has value as a cut flower for Memorial Day. Like Hansina Brand it is not "set" in its form and appearance. An exhibition flower at the Syracuse show was of perfect vase shape both inside and outside with all of its stamens closely set in its deep center. The effect was both beautiful and striking. Before seeing its label I believed it was a new seedling.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

CORNELIA SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

A very double white peony with a pink undertone. It is not as good a variety as Nick Shaylor but it ranks high in my collection of the Shaylor varieties.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

DARLING O'MINE (Good & Reese)

A medium tall, light pink, double peony with large petals, the outer ones of which fade nearly white while the inner petals retain their beautiful pink color. The carmine markings on the petals add to the beauty of this variety and its splendid stems with graceful carriage make it, I believe, one of the three best of the Good and Reese introductions.

1 eye division.....\$2.00	2 eye division.....\$2.50
5 eye division.....	\$3.50

DAVID HARUM (Brand)—8.4

This is a very dark but still bright rose color variety with strong stems. And it has a most striking color in the garden. If planted in a distant part of the garden it usually draws the visitor to its corner, at least for an introduction. Delicate pink varieties are not happy as close companions of David Harum, but the white ones do not resent his presence.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

DR. J. H. NEELEY (Good & Reese)

The beautiful buds open first as a faint blush pink but soon become pure white. The flowers are large with broad guard petals and the central petals form a cup-shaped center. Long stems. Pleasing fragrance.

1 eye division.....\$1.00	2 eye division.....\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.50

DOROTHY J.

This is the variety which last year won the Home Achievement Medal and a Silver Medal in the Seedling Class, and which was also placed in the Court of Honor. Its color is of a deep rich cream with a faint suggestion of pink upon petals which were of great substance.

3 to 5 eye divisions.....	\$25.00
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Double Varieties

EDITH M. SNOOK (Snook)

This variety was oversold last year. We hope to offer it again next year.

ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON (Sass)

A large late blooming pink variety from the Sass gardens. I believe it will be in a class with Ella Christiansen, but it blooms much later. I hope to tell you more about it next year.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

E. G. HILL (Lemoine)—7.8

A deep rose double peony with excellent stems. It is a superb landscape variety, but care should be taken to plant it among white varieties instead of among the delicate pink ones.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

ELLA CHRISTIANSEN (Brand)—9.0

This is one of the tallest, largest, most vigorous, most beautiful and best of the Brand pink double peonies. The quality and color of the petals approach perfection. It blooms in early mid-season and it is both a landscape and a show variety.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

ELSA SASS (Sass)

This is a very beautiful cup-shape white peony with unusually good quality petals. It supports its flowers gracefully and has an excellent blooming record. In my judgment it is in a class with Judge Snook, Mrs. J. V. Edlund, Nick Shaylor, George W. Peyton, Harry F. Little and Kelways Glorious. It is a most refreshing variety in its garden habits.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
5 eye division.....			\$5.00

Very few 5 eye divisions.

ESTAFETTE

This rose pink variety grows especially for the landscape. Its shaded pink color is most pleasing to the eye, and often it grows in a perfect fountain form. A well grown Estafette often attracts more attention than other higher priced varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.25

ETTA (Terry)—8.0

This very late blooming variety holds its pink color and furnishes bloom at the same time as Grandiflora whose color is not quite so deep. I believe the stems on Etta are as a rule stronger than those on Grandiflora, giving it more landscape value. I offer it on account of its beauty and reliability.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

PARCEL POST

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FRANK E. GOOD (Good & Welch)

This is a very beautiful and satisfying peony. It opens a most delicate shade of pink. Shows pink and yellow tone at the center of the flower which consists of very, very narrow petals. Splendid carriage. Flower medium size and not very heavy. Excellent for landscape. I am glad to recommend this variety on account of its refined beauty. I hope my friends understand my use of this word—M. Jules Elie is one of the largest, best and most reliable peonies, but I would never use the word refined in its description. Both Frank E. Good and M. Jules Elie belong in the same garden, but each brings to its owner a different kind of joy and satisfaction.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

GARDEN PRINCESS (Neeley)

An ivory and pink variety. Flat full flowers on strong stems. Blooms in midseason. One of the best Neeley varieties. Mrs. J. H. Neeley and Liberty Bell are as good and possibly even better. Victor's Crown and Matchless Beauty are two other good Neeley originations on which I react favorably. I am anxious to sell all the Neeley varieties and hope next year to offer all of them in a collection. Here are the 1941 prices on Garden Princess.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

GEORGE W. PEYTON (Nicholls)

I spent two days in June at the National Peony Show in Syracuse, New York. On this trip I met Col. J. C. Nicholls, of Ithica, New York, who has originated some most excellent peonies, the most famous of which is Mrs. Livingston Farrand, which I hope to offer next year. At the time of my visit George W. Peyton and Florence Nicholls were his most beautiful blooms.

GRACE BATSON (Sass)

This is a very beautiful and excellent late blooming pink variety of superb quality and splendid stem. As this is a western variety we will probably see it in superb form at the National Show in Topeka, Kansas, next year.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

GLORIANA (Neeley)

A very large pink double bloom with slightly deeper color than Therese. Some seasons this variety needs support, but it is always splendid for interior decoration and has show value.

1 eye division.....	\$. 75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

GOOD'S IDEAL (Good & Reese)

This splendid white double peony has excellent quality petals, which are sometimes marked with carmine and sometimes every petal will be entirely white. This ranks in quality somewhere near to the variety Judge Snook, which I believe is the best of the Good & Reese seedlings.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$3.00

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HANS P. SASS (Sass)

This is one of the peonies in the Mrs. J. H. Neeley class. It opens a beautiful light pink but it becomes lighter and lighter in color but holds the pink at its center. It has a good stem and a beautiful shaped bloom with excellent petals. The flower is larger than Judge Snook and I believe it is as high in quality as that most excellent variety.

1 eye division.....	\$2.00	2 eye division.....	\$3.00
5 eye division.....	\$5.00		

HANSINA BRAND (Brand)—9.1

This flesh pink, double peony is probably the most famous one originated by Mr. Brand. It has won first class prizes several times at our National Peony Shows. Its color is much affected by the amount of light or cloud on its day of exhibition. Sometimes it carries a beautiful corn color and at other times there is no evidence of this shade in its beautiful bloom. I consider it a very valuable peony.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	3.50		

HARRY L. BURDEN (Neeley)

This very light pink bloom shows some stamens. The petals are so loosely arranged that rain and wind do not destroy its beauty as easily as more closely formed flowers. The blooms change to white and a row of these in company with a row of Myrtle Gentry formed a beautiful sight in my garden.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$2.50		

HAZEL KINNEY (Brand)—9.0

A very delicate pink peony which fades entirely white. Its quality and beauty are great enough to entitle it to a place in any peony show, but its stems are not strong enough to give it great landscape value.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

HEART'S IDOL (Neeley)

This Neeley seedling is semi-dwarf and it opens blush pink and finishes pure white. It is a very full double variety and shows no stamens.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

HELEN HUGHES (Snook)

This variety was oversold last year. We hope to offer it again next year.

HERMOINE (Sass)

My observation leads me to believe that this variety may rank with the very best late blooming pink, double varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$3.00		

INSPECTEUR LAVERGNE (Doriat)—8.5

A very tall, bright red variety which blooms very early with its main blooms, but whose laterals pro-

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vide good garden color until the late season begins.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
1 year plant.....	1.50

JAMES R. MANN (ThurLOW)—8.7

This is one of the very excellent pink double peonies placed on the market by the ThurLOW brothers at the same time they gave us President Wilson. James R. Mann produces a pink bloom of medium size but excellent quality and in my garden has been more vigorous than some of the other ThurLOW introductions. I recommend it for color, quality, and landscape value. My sales of this variety are not large but I believe there is a place for it in our gardens even if its present rating is below 90.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

JEANNOT (Dessert)—9.2

A late blooming, pink peony of loose formation, which holds the color admirably and which is able to go through rain and wind storms without having its landscape value completely destroyed. Its cut bloom compares with that of President Wilson and Edwin C. Shaw in quality and color, and it is probably not only one of Mr. Dessert's best peonies, but also one of the best late pink peonies in the world.

1 eye division.....\$1.00	2 eye division.....\$1.25
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

JOHN L. CRENSHAW (Brand)

JEAN COOPERMAN (Brand)

We offered these two excellent Brand varieties in our catalog last year and we hope to offer them again next year. We are very glad to have them growing in our garden.

JOHN M. GOOD (Good & Welch)—9.3

This variety produces very large, beautiful white flowers on strong stems which are of only medium length. Its carriage gives it excellent landscape value and the quality of the bloom is so great that it has prize winning possibilities in any peony show.

1 eye division.....\$1.00	2 eye division.....\$1.25
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

JUBILEE (Pleas)—8.9

This is one of the largest, most beautiful, white peonies ever grown. Its long irregular petals give it somewhat of a lacy appearance and it is excellent for use in vases and has often been a winner of first prizes in peony shows. It responds to liquid fertilizers better than any other variety on which I have experimented. However, its stems are so weak that it must have support. At the annual Van Wert Peony Festivals a Queen Jubilee is crowned every year.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.25

JUDGE SNOOK (Good & Reese)

This very large cream white peony has broad petals of excellent substance borne on good stems. Its color and richness of quality have some similarity to Solange, but its habit, growth, and carriage are

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superior to that famous variety. I am indeed glad I can offer it in small divisions.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$4.00
5 eye division.....			7.50

KARL ROSENFELD (Rosenfield)—8.8

This splendid red peony has all the qualifications of a satisfactory variety for cut blooms and can be relied upon as a good keeper. Its stems are strong, it has garden value, and it is a vigorous grower.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

KELWAY'S GLORIOUS (Kelway)—9.8

I saw this full double white variety on my first trip to the National Peony Show in New York in 1916, and it has been producing excellent bloom in my garden every year since 1918. Its blooms withstand rain and storm much better than 90% of other varieties. Notice its very high rating which I believe it deserves every year.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			2.50

KELWAY'S QUEEN (Kelway)—8.8

This very old pink variety is one of the great peonies of the world. It has a perfect rose shaped bloom, a dainty fragrance, its stem gives it a good carriage and it has a charm which is hard to describe. Its popularity has survived that of many varieties which were much higher in price.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF (Kelway)—9.1

This variety was the first, if my information is correct, to be sold at a retail price of \$25.00, and I am not surprised, for a plant of it in full bloom is a beautiful sight. It has tall strong stems and carries its large blooms excellently in the garden. The petals fade until they are only blush pink, but before they drop from the stems these flowers are surrounded by the fresh opening deep pink buds on the laterals and for a few days the effect is very, very beautiful.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

LAST ROSE (Sass)

In my opinion this is one of the very best of the very late blooming pink peonies. As it becomes widely known I predict an excellent sale for it. The shade of its pink color is attractive and it does not fade. Its stems are strong and graceful and the blooms are large enough without having a cabbage appearance. It should rate well up in the nineties.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

LAURA DESSERT (Dessert)—8.8

Although this is known as a yellow peony, yet unless its owner cuts the unopened buds and brings them indoors he will not find a particle of yellow in the bloom because the sun absorbs all the yellow very quickly after the petals are opened. It is almost exactly like the variety Primevere which was

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originated by Mr. Lemoine. Very few experts can select a bloom of one variety if it is placed among a dozen blooms of the other. I regard Laura Dessert as having slightly better stems. Do not neglect to place bags over the buds and then take the flowers indoors before the bags are removed.

1 eye division.....\$1.00	2 eye division.....\$1.25
5 eye division.....	2.00

LE CYGNE (Lemoine)—9.9

For more than 10 years this pure white peony held a higher rating than any other variety. When perfectly grown its appearance brings to the beholder thoughts of purity. It has a very decided rose shape and strong stems give it a graceful carriage. Every peony lover wants it and every peony lover should have it.

1 eye division.....\$1.25	2 eye division.....\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.50

LIBERTY BELL (Neeley)

The stems of this splendid double variety carry the large pink blooms perfectly. The petals have much more than ordinary substance and the flowers at certain stages have a rather remarkable depth. Each blooming season it has grown in my favor.

1 eye division.....\$3.00	2 eye division.....\$4.00
No 5 eye divisions this year.	

LILLIAN GUMM (Gumm)—8.9

The Peony Manual published by the American Peony Society contains a beautiful color picture of this variety opposite page 65. It is the best of the varieties originated by Mr. Gumm which I have yet seen. Its color is a deep even rose pink and it is a full double peony of the rose type.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

LONGFELLOW (Brand)

This is one of the staple red peonies. Some enthusiasts think its color is of a more desirable shade than they find in any other variety. It has been a favorite for over 20 years.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

LOUIS JOLIET (Auten)

Very brilliant dark red semi-double, medium sized bloom, midseason. Color is very rich. A free bloomer.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

MABEL L. FRANKLIN (Franklin)—9.0

This very attractive double peony has a brilliant rose pink color. It is very large, it blooms in mid-season and the stems are long and graceful. Its landscape effect in my garden was excellent.

1 eye division.....\$.75	2 eye division.....\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50

MADONNA (Neeley)

A loosely built cream white double flower which sheds the rain easily. It has landscape value and

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garden visitors have been pleased with its beauty. I am glad I can now offer this variety in one and two eye divisions.

1 eye division.....	\$2.00	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

MARIETTA SISSON (Sass)

I am not anxious to sell a single root or even a single division of this variety this year. I believe this variety gained its first prominence by winning a \$100 prize in the National Peony Show of 1922 or 1923. I was in Europe in 1922 and unfortunately in 1923 my business affairs kept me at home, consequently I did not get acquainted with Peony Marietta Sisson until 1935 or 1936, and my first glance told me it was a variety of outstanding merit. I intend to use it as a gratis variety this season, and if you are prejudiced against it or if you have it already growing in your garden tell me not to use it as a gratis root with your order.

MARTHA BULLOCH (Brand)—9.1

This is a very, very large pink double peony which is very much sought after. Its color and size are excellent, but unless some of the side buds are removed the stems will not be strong enough to carry all the extra weight. This variety was placed in the Court of Honor at the Rochester Peony Show because it was judged the best flower in the show. I am glad indeed that I can furnish it in small divisions.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

MARVEL (Secor)—9.0

An excellent medium pink bloom on strong stems which have few laterals. The plant is erect, the color beautiful and this variety has value for winning prizes and for decorating a landscape. I believe this variety held its blooms through a longer season than any other full double variety. I have only a small stock of it and I hope if you order it that you will report the number of days it remains in bloom for you. If it has a two-day longer bloom season than any other variety, it will be very much in demand.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

MARY BRAND (Brand)—8.7

One of the purest red varieties nearly equal to Longfellow in color. The laterals bloom with the main buds. It is a vigorous variety and a good seller.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.25

MATCHLESS BEAUTY (Neeley)

Next to Mrs. J. H. Neely and Liberty Bell this variety is considered by some of our Northwestern Ohio peony enthusiasts to be the best Neeley variety. A cream white double peony with good quality petals and good stems. It has landscape value and the blooms are excellent for indoor decoration.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

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MINNIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

A splendid pink variety with usually only three, four, or five rows of petals. The sun soon changes its color to white, but it is still very beautiful. I regard it as one of the highest quality peonies in the world, especially when planted in clay soil. On account of the limited number of rows of petals, this variety has some of the charm of single varieties and on this account I list it also among the singles.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

M. MARTIN CAHUZAC (Dessert)—8.8

This is an early midseason variety with a darker red color than any other variety. Sometimes called the black peony.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

MRS. A. M. BRAND (Brand)—9.6

You must notice the extremely high rating on this magnificent pure white variety. It has long stems and sometimes needs support, but it is nevertheless in the prize winning class.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.75
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

MRS. A. S. GOWEN (Brand)

MRS. BRYCE FONTAINE (Brand)

These two new red varieties are growing in our garden and we hope to offer them next year.

MRS. DEANE FUNK (Brand)

This beautiful rose pink double peony is one of the most vigorous varieties and multiplies very rapidly if the roots are cut into small divisions. It blooms prolifically early in the season and the blooms on its laterals carry into the late season. I can especially recommend it as a cut flower variety. I am glad that it has good stems.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

MRS. EDWARD HARDING (Shaylor)—9.3

The display of ten blooms of this white variety at the recent Syracuse National Peony Show was wonderful and the flowers were as good and probably even better than those at the Cleveland Show 23 years ago when Mrs. Edward Harding won the first \$100 peony prize. It is the earliest blooming high quality white peony and is some times early enough for use on Memorial Day. It deserves the very highest recommendation.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

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MRS. F. D. ROOSEVELT (Franklin)

A very beautiful pale pink peony with a cup-shape center which shows no stamens. Excellent stiff stems of good height and with vigorous foliage. A most attractive variety which does not fade out entirely.

1 eye division.....	\$3.00	2 eye division.....	\$5.00
5 eye division.....	\$7.50		

MRS. HARRIET GENTRY (Brand)—9.1

One of the latest blooming white peonies which is of perfect rose type. The petals are large and of very good quality and the blooms often show the peculiar tints we find in Solange. Not often seen in peony shows on account of its very late season.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

MRS. GEORGE RAWSON (Shaylor)

A tall cream white full double variety with some pink remaining at its cup-shape center. Shows no stamens. Has stiff stems and remarkable quality in its petals. One of the best Shaylor varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$1.25	2 eye division.....	\$1.75
5 eye division.....	\$2.50		

MRS. J. H. NEELEY (Neeley)

Our 1940 blooming season in Van Wert was an extremely cloudy one and this famous variety opened in its own beautiful soft pink color without the necessity of being bagged in advance. When covered with bags, the flowers, when brought indoors and uncovered, show a richness in tone which is not excelled and I sometimes believe is not even equaled by any other peony. It is evidently quite scarce and I hope as many enthusiasts as can secure it will plant small divisions of it and give it the careful attention which I believe its beauty and outstanding quality of petalage deserve.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
No large divisions this season.			

MRS. JOHN M. GOOD (Good & Welch)

An early pure white double variety which blooms with many laterals. The flowers have no stamens at the center and the strong stems and graceful laterals give the plant splendid landscape value. I believe there is a future for this variety and I will be glad to hear what my own customers think of it.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$2.50		

MRS. J. V. EDLUND (Edlund)

This variety was in the Court of Honor at the National Peony Show in Rochester, Minnesota. It is a white, full double, and somewhat cup-shaped variety which blooms late in the season. I give it my highest recommendation. It is apparently very scarce and I do not advise you to purchase it from me at my present prices.

1 eye division.....	\$5.00	2 eye division.....	\$7.50
No larger divisions this season.			

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MRS. LIVINGSTON FARRAND (Nicholls)

For the last three seasons this true pink peony has been the highest priced and most sought for variety in American gardens. Its color is an improvement upon Walter Faxon. It is quite free blooming, apparently vigorous, and has no lavender tone in its color. I can now offer it at a lower price than it has been sold in any former season and I hope that within two or three years I can include it in my one eye divisions.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$25.00

MRS. ROMAINE B. WARE (Brand)—9.1

This is a medium size, light pink variety blooming in midseason and it is fragrant. The stems are tall and slender and the general effect is graceful.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

5 eye division.....\$2.50

MYRTLE GENTRY (Brand)—9.1

Miss Myrtle Gentry, one of the managing partners of The Brand Peony Farms, Inc., is to be congratulated upon having one of the world's best peonies named in her honor. It is as near a perfect peony as I have growing in my garden. It has great vigor and retains its green foliage longer than any other. It is of rose form, light pink to white in color with tints of salmon in its petals. The stems are strong and, best of all, it has the fragrance of a tea rose.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

5 eye division.....\$2.50

NANCY DOLMAN (Vories)—9.1

A large, very tall, double pink peony with good petals and a very satisfactory stem. To get the best blooms it should be disbudded. It blooms late in the season and it is taller and deeper in color than Last Rose which blooms at the same time. Both of these very, very late varieties opened satisfactorily in my garden this year.

1 eye division.....\$1.25 2 eye division.....\$1.50

5 eye division.....\$2.00

NICK SHAYLOR (Shaylor & Allison)

A very large blush pink peony with a suggestion of Solange color. The size, quality and beauty of this variety gives it a welcome in any contest with all the other good peonies in the world. Last year (1940) it occupied a place in the Court of Honor in the Rochester National Peony Show.

1 eye division.....\$3.50 2 eye division.....\$4.50

5 eye division.....\$7.50

PHILIPPE RIVOIRE (Riviere)—9.2

A medium-sized, full double, red, late mid-season peony which, for fifteen years, has maintained its place as the best red variety in the world. It has a pleasing odor, the color holds well and the stems are strong enough to hold the medium-sized blooms. It has my unqualified recommendation as a prize winner and as a landscape variety.

1 eye division.....\$1.25 2 eye division.....\$1.50

5 eye division.....\$2.00

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PHYLLIS KELWAY (Kelway)—9.0

In my judgment, this is one of the great peonies of the world. It is semi-double with a very bright shade of pink which carries well on the landscape and which does not fade out entirely even in the brightest sunshine. It has many laterals and it blooms through a very long season. It is one of the few peonies which has my unqualified recommendation as a variety to take to the National Peony Show and also as a landscape variety.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE (Brand)

This excellent late pink peony is very near the same color as Blanche King. The stems are strong and of sufficient strength to hold up the large blooms so that this variety is both a prize winner and a landscape variety.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

PRESIDENT WILSON (ThurLOW)—9.3

For many years I have believed this to be the very best double pink variety from the famous ThurLOW garden. Its color is beautiful, the size is splendid and the stems, after being properly disbudded, will hold the main blooms gracefully.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.25
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No large divisions this season.

PRIMEVERE (Lemoine)—8.6

This variety is known as The Yellow Peony but if you wish to display your Yellow Peony to your friends, you must follow these instructions carefully. As blooming time approaches, procure from your grocer a dozen or more brown paper bags at least 6 inches long, also at least as many very small rubber bands which are small enough to encircle two of your fingers and not drop off. When the growing buds expand enough to show some white or pink between the outer green cover petals, you should immediately cover the bud with one of the paper bags, and use the rubber band to hold the bag in position. At least once each day visit the plant and clasp each bag. If you can feel that the petals are expanding the bag, then cut the stem, carry the bud indoors, place the stem in a vase filled with water, after which remove the bag and find your genuine Yellow Peony. The pink guard petals will bleach white but the inner petals will retain the attractive yellow color for several days.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$1.50

PRIAM (Sass)

This is a new variety for my garden and I am pleased with it. It is an early semi-dwarf, red, double variety, and all veteran peony growers know that we do not have too many of them.

1 eye division.....	\$2.00	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....			\$3.50

ODILE (Dorait)

A tall late light pink peony. It is an attractive

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variety with Tourangelle colors. The plant is a good grower.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.50
5 eye division.....	\$4.00		

REV. H. TRAGITT (Brand)

This is a semi-dwarf white variety and it blooms very prolifically and deserves a very high rating for the extra large blooms which in some respects resemble those of Le Cygne. The stems are of uniform height and support the large blooms so well that it is an unusually good landscape variety. It is also a general purpose peony. We hope that it proves to be as good as Le Cygne.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

RICHARD CARVEL (Brand)—8.8

I have grown this variety many years and cannot praise it too highly. It is the earliest good double red peony to bloom in my garden. It has a long blooming season. It carries its flowers better than any other early red peony. Karl Rosenfield has stiffer stems, but Richard Carvel multiplies more rapidly and seems to me to possess more beauty both in the show room and on the landscape. Again I saw I recommend it. It is the most reliable red peony for Memorial Day in this latitude.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.25		

ROSE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—9.1

This fine Shaylor variety has stiff stems and possibly more landscape value than any other Shaylor variety. Its color is pale flesh-pink with some crimson markings on the petals. I hope landscape architects will give this variety particular attention. Very good for the show room as well as the landscape.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....	\$1.50		

SHATTUCK (Brand)

This new red double peony came from Mr. Brand's garden. It made a magnificent showing a few years ago at the National Peony Show in Des Moines, the same show at which Prairie Afire was the outstanding new Japanese variety. Both of these new varieties are rapid multipliers in the garden. I recommend Shattuck very highly for its bloom and for use as a landscape variety.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....	\$2.00		

SILVIA SAUNDERS (Saunders)

This variety is a semi-double variety and it is usually listed as a double. However, it gives me the same delight which I find in viewing the single blooms. It seems like a glorified single with its beautiful shell-pink petals arranged in a cup shape like a mammoth wild rose. I recommend it most highly.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....	\$3.00		

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SHAWNEE CHIEF (Bigger)

I have been growing this new red variety for four years and it has more garden value than any other red variety I know. By this I mean the habit of the plant, the manner in which it carries its blooms, and the vigor of its growth. The color is new to me, being a medium red and I do not know of a variety with which to compare it. The plant has very unusual value for landscape use. Mr. Bigger, the originator of this variety, lives in Topeka, Kansas, and so the peony enthusiasts who attend the show next year will no doubt see this variety grown to perfection.

1 eye division.....	\$2.00	2 eye division.....	\$3.00
5 eye division.....			\$5.00

SOLANGE (Lemoine)—9.7

A cream peony with a very rich tan color at its center and with petals of supremely excellent quality. Although its roots are usually somewhat deformed, yet all of my plants produce good blooms regardless of the ugly roots. I find that planting Solange in stiff clay helps to invigorate and correct the roots. Every grower should have one or more Solange on account of the great beauty of its large flowers.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
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No 5 eye divisions this year.

SUSAN WHITE (Brand)

Large blooms on long stems. Pure white double flowers showing stamens among the petals and at the center of the flower. Good for interior decoration and the show room, but the stems are not strong enough for a landscape variety. For landscape use I suggest that all lateral buds be taken off when very small.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$1.00
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

TEMPEST (Auten)

Very brilliant dark red semi-double variety with strong stems. Mr. Auten, its originator, believes it is the best semi-double red on the market. I hope to be able to offer this variety again next year.

1 eye division.....	\$2.00	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
5 eye division.....			\$5.00

THERESE (Dessert)—9.8

This pink peony, originated in 1904, has a rating of 9.8 which makes it the highest rated pink peony in the world. It blooms early in the season, has good foliage, and best of all, it has strong stems. I believe everybody loves this particular variety as I know of no bad habit or quality. Purchasers are fortunate to be able to buy the best pink peony in the world at such a modest price.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$.75
5 eye division.....			\$1.00

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TOURANGELLE (Dessert)—9.4

In 1935 and again in 1937, this beautiful peony had more charm in its form and in its color than any other peony in my garden. This was because during its blooming season, the sky was overcast and the sun did not take from it the most beautiful pink color carried by any peony. But with bright sunshine this variety is pure white and shows its beautiful pink colors only when the opening buds are completely covered by thick paper bags which are not removed until after the stems are cut and the flowers carried indoors.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$.75
5 eye division.....			\$1.00

THE DISC (Sass)

This is a new variety to me and may be as good as Auguste Dessert, which it somewhat resembles. It may also turn out to be a still better variety, but I will not advise its purchase till I get another year's observation.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

TRAGEDY (Hollis)—8.0

A late, tall, red, double peony whose quality and color in some years are equal to those in Philippe Rivoire. It is, however, not so reliable a variety as Philippe Rivoire and should not be purchased to supplant that variety.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.00

TRAIL'S END (Neeley)

This splendid fluffy landscape variety opens a soft pink and changes to white when fully opened. The fact that the rain passes through the loosely arranged petals increases its landscape value. It has my recommendation.

1 eye division.....	\$1.00	2 eye division.....	\$1.50
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

VICTOIRE DE LA MARNE (Dessert)

A large red double peony with an unusual sheen of violet which places it in a different class from any other red peony. A striking bloom of this variety was selected as the best red double peony at the Rochester National Peony Show last year. I believe that this variety is somewhat scarce as it was difficult for me to find stock of it after it was found to be a prize winning variety. I have very little to offer.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
No. 5 eye divisions this year.			

VICTOR'S CROWN (Neeley)

This very light pink peony approaches the variety Mrs. J. H. Neeley in quality, beauty, and value. In very bright weather with full sunshine when its color changes to white it retains its very beautiful pink center and for that reason it may be more valuable even than the other variety. It is a show variety, a landscape variety, and is also most excellent for interior decoration. It is one of my 5 X

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varieties which is the highest rating I place on any of my peonies. However I do not yet advise its purchase for it may not be worth as much as I am asking for it. If next year it should be less beautiful I will reduce my price. There is an element of gambling in the buying and selling of new varieties.

1 eye division.....	\$2.50	2 eye division.....	\$3.50
5 eye division.....			\$5.00

VICTORY CHATEAU THIERRY (Brand)—8.9

This very large and very beautiful new pink peony has received, I believe, more commendations than any other of the new peonies from Mr. Brand's garden. I, also, am glad to sound its praises. In addition to its show room value, which is very great, I believe its value on the landscape will be even greater. A row of thirty plants in full bloom in my own garden gave me the same kind of thrill which a landscape gardener delights in receiving when he looks over his plantings in his customers' gardens.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$2.50

WALTER FAXON (Richardson)—9.3

A medium-size variety with the most attractive pink color in the whole peony world except that in the variety Mrs. Livingston Farrand. Its stems are strong enough to carry the blooms gracefully and its outstanding color makes it a great favorite with garden visitors. I believe that when grown in clumps, it will draw as much attention as some of the taller landscape varieties. The very large size of many of the blooms of this variety at the Rochester Show leads me to believe that it will respond to the use of its favorite fertilizer.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$.75
5 eye division.....			\$1.00

W. F. TURNER (Shaylor)

This is Shaylor's best red variety. It is taller than Philippe Rivoire and for that particular reason has value on the landscape. Its color is known as dark crimson and it shows yellow stamens.

1 eye division.....	\$.75	2 eye division.....	\$.75
5 eye division.....			\$1.00

WILL McCLELLAND (Shaylor)

A medium sized pink bloom. Double, showing red carpels at the center. The color is a beautiful shade of pink which does not entirely fade out in the sunshine. There are few laterals and I believe that its usefulness is in landscape work.

1 eye division.....	\$1.50	2 eye division.....	\$2.00
5 eye division.....			\$3.00

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LIST OF PEONIES AT REDUCED PRICES UNTIL SEPTEMBER 20—ONLY

We have very few plants of each of the following varieties, and will furnish 1 of each of any 6 of them in the 5 eye division size for \$4.00. Any 12 of them will be furnished for \$7.50.

Alma.....	Pink	Jap.
Altar Candles.....	White	Jap.
A. P. Saunders.....	Pink	Double
Avaiteur Reymond.....	Red	Double
Ball-O-Cotton.....	White	Double
Beauty's Mask.....	Pink	Double
Edwin C. Shaw.....	Rose Pink	Double
E. B. Browning.....	White	Double
Elwood Pleas.....	Pink	Double
Eunice Shaylor.....	White	Double
Florence Macbeth.....	Light Pink	Double
Frances Shaylor.....	White	Double
James Kelway.....	White	Double
Kino-Kimo.....	Red	Jap.
Mafeking.....	Red	Single
Maman Millet.....	Pink	Double
Marie Crousse.....	Light Pink	Double
Miss Salway.....	White	Double
Cpal.....	Pink	Double
Pasteur.....	Pink	Double
Pierre Duchartre.....	Pink	Double
Rosa Bonheur.....	Pink	Double
Sarah K. Thurlow.....	White	Double
Snow Wheel.....	White	Jap.
Souv. de Louis Bigot.....	Pink	Double
Suzette.....	Pink	Double
Thomas C. Thurlow.....	Light Pink	Double
W. F. Christman.....	Pink	Double

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VARIETIES TO BE FOUND IN NEXT YEAR'S CATALOG

The following varieties are now growing in my garden and I hope to offer them for sale in my 1942 catalogue in 1 eye, 2 eye and 5 eye divisions.

A. B. C. Nichols	Delight
Acme	Diana
A. G. Perry	Dorothy Allison
Antwerpen	Dr. Cooper
Betty Blossom	Dunman's White
Betty Lou	Edith M. Snook
Buccaneer	Eva
Carolynae Mae Nelson	Evening Star
Charity	Fannie Lee
Chief	Florence Bond
Coral Queen	Franklin's A-142
Corinth	Franklin's G-26
Crusader	Franklin's W-3

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Francois	Mrs. Harry F. Little
Gaiety	Mrs. James Kelway
Galathee	Mrs. John M. Kleitsch
Gleam of Gold	Mrs. Livingston Farrand
Geo. W. Peyton	Mrs. Wilder Bancroft
H. F. Little	Odile
Hope	Onondago
Ingenieur Dorait	Owatonna
Instituteur Dorait	Peach Blow
Japanese Beauty	Pico
Jean Cooperman	Pink Delight
John L. Crenshaw	Pink Opal
Josephine	Polar Star
Krinkled White	Queen of Hamburg
Loren Franklin	Queen of Sheba
Lottie Dawson Rea	Red Warrior
Louise Ann	Robert E. Lee
Lucy Shaylor	Rosabel
Lulu Little	Rosamond Grant
Madame Emile Debatne	Rosette
Madame Claude Tain	Ruth Elizabeth
Madelon	Ruth Force
Mammoth Rose	Sea Shell
Man O War	Sensation
Mark Twain	Shirine
Matilda Lewis	Snow White
Milady	Surugu
Minuet	Tempest
Modella	Thor
Mount Everest	Waseca
Mr. L. Van Leeuwen	Wm. E. Blanchette
Mrs. A. B. Franklin	Westhill
Mrs. A. S. Gowen	White Beauty
Mrs. Bryce Fontaine	White Delight
Mrs. Charles Gilbert	White Eagle
Mrs. F. A. Goodrich	Winnie Winkle
Mrs. Fern Lough	

How I Became Deeply Interested In Peonies

I joined the American Peony Society in 1916, so that I might exhibit Jubilee, which I believed to be the most beautiful Peony in the World. It won a prize at the National Peony Show in New York, and on my homeward journey I wrote a letter (which could have been mailed to my best friend), describing the Peony Show and telling whom I had met and what varieties were prize winners.

But instead of mailing it to my friend, I took it to my printer and had him print enough copies of it so that I could mail one to each member of the American Peony Society.

The next year I took Jubilee to the National Show, which was held in Philadelphia and it won the first prize for the six best blooms in the Show.

This time I sent a 12 page booklet to each of the members of the Society and had it illustrated with the winning blooms.

The 1918 Peony Show was held in Cleveland, and this time I sent a much larger booklet with still more information about the show, the winning varieties, and the friends I had made.

The following year, Michigan invited us to hold our Show in Detroit, and this time I sent out more booklets

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than ever before, because the Peony Society was growing.

The 1920 Show was held in Reading, Pa., and again an illustrated booklet was sent to every member of the Society in which I told them I would begin selling Peonies from my own garden.

And so about July 1, 1920, twenty-one years ago, I sent out my first Peony price list. It was a little 4 page folder 4¼ inch by 5½ inch, and it was sent to every one of the members of the Society who had been receiving my folders and booklets.

Some of them must have been interested in the booklets I had been sending them, for they gave me a surprise the very first week.

Here is what happened that first week, July 5th to 10th, 1920. Many of them sent me Mail Orders, and I hope you will be interested in knowing the varieties they selected and the prices they paid for them. I think it is an interesting list.

1	Cherry Hill	@	\$25.00	each
2	Exquisite	@	15.00	each
1	Enchantress	@	10.00	each
1	Evening Glow	@	10.00	each
1	Frances Willard	@	10.00	each
2	Frances Shaylor	@	20.00	each
2	Georgiana Shaylor	@	10.00	each
3	Jubilee	@	25.00	each
1	Karl Rosenfield	@	5.00	each
3	Kelway's Glorious	@	40.00	each
3	Le Cygne	@	25.00	each
6	Lady A. Duff	@	5.00	each
3	Mrs. Edward Harding	@	100.00	each
3	Madame Jules Dessert	@	5.00	each
1	Madame Manchet	@	15.00	each
1	Madame Treyeran	@	15.00	each
1	Maud L. Richardson	@	5.00	each
1	M. Martin Cahuzac	@	5.00	each
1	Mary W. Shaylor	@	50.00	each
1	Midsummer Night's Dream	@	10.00	each
9	Opal	@	5.00	each
5	Philippe Rivoire	@	20.00	each
4	Primevere	@	5.00	each
1	Richard Carvel	@	5.00	each
1	Raoul Dessert	@	15.00	each
1	Solange	@	10.00	each
1	Standard Bearer	@	25.00	each
3	Tourengele	@	5.00	each
1	Walter Faxon	@	15.00	each

There were 18 customers during that first week, many of whom are still living. Mr. E. M. Garrison, who is now manager of the Davis Peony Farm at Quinton, N. J., was the first purchaser, one root of Mrs. Edward Harding for \$100.00.

Mr. A. B. Franklin, owner of the Franklin Nursery in Minneapolis, Minnesota, was the largest purchaser of the week. He bought 14 varieties ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$25.00, and on up to \$50.00, and \$100.00, making a total of \$350.00.

There were a total of 64 Peonies none of which sold for less than \$5.00. You will notice that Mrs. Edward Harding at \$100.00 lead the list, followed by Mary Woodbury Shaylor at \$50.00, and Kelway's Glorious at \$40.00. There were 4 varieties at \$25.00 each, Jubilee, Le Cygne, Cherry Hill and Standard Bearer.

I hope you will notice the list on page 28 of over 90 new varieties now growing in my garden, some of which I hope to offer in both large and small divisions next year.

Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn Seed

This 1941 season on Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn Seed is the first one in which I have made a profit. In all five of the preceding seasons I spent more money in advertising Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn than I received from my sales. This year, however, my daughter, my sister, and my banker, all insisted that I must cut out all my advertising, which I did. As a result my sales of $\frac{1}{4}$ pound, $\frac{1}{2}$ pound and 1 pound bags of seed have decreased, but my wholesale business in 5 pound, 10 pound, 15 pound, 20 pound and 25 pound bags with Market Gardeners has increased enough to make up for the decrease in retail sales. The money saved in my advertising account produced a nice little profit.

I hope all my friends will notice that the increase in the wholesale business was all produced by individual market gardeners telling or writing other individual market gardeners, that more money could be made on green ears of Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn than could be made on other varieties. I am counting upon more and more enthusiasm each year from the market gardeners.

Now if you, Reader, would like to be able to purchase in season for your own table, green ears of what I believe to be the best sweet corn in the world, just show this article to your own home town gardener, and also send me his name and address. The local gardener will thank you and so will I.

Peony Planting

September is considered the best month in which to plant Peonies because they can usually make enough root growth to hold them in the ground during the winter. However, they can be planted during October, November, and in December until the ground freezes.

Late planted peonies need a deeper covering of straw than those planted earlier.

LEE R. BONNEWITZ

